

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Although applicants and/or their agent(s) are expected to participate in a public hearing, you are not required to do so. This meeting will be conducted online and you have the opportunity to speak FOR or AGAINST the proposed development or change. Email or call the staff contact for information on how to participate in the public hearings online. You may also contact a neighborhood or environmental organization that has expressed an interest in an application affecting your neighborhood.

During a public hearing, the board or commission may postpone or continue an application's hearing to a later date, or recommend approval or denial of the application. If the board or commission announces a specific date and time for a postponement or continuation that is not later than 60 days from the announcement, no further notice is required.

A board or commission's decision may be appealed by a person with standing to appeal, or an interested party that is identified as a person who can appeal the decision. The body holding a public hearing on an appeal will determine whether a person has standing to appeal the decision.

An interested party is defined as a person who is the applicant or record owner of the subject property, or who communicates an interest to a board or commission by:

- delivering a written statement to the board or commission before or during the public hearing that generally identifies the issues of concern (*it may be delivered to the contact person listed on a notice*); or
- appearing and speaking for the record at the public hearing; and:
- occupies a primary residence that is within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development;
- is the record owner of property within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development; or
- is an officer of an environmental or neighborhood organization that has an interest in or whose declared boundaries are within 500 feet of the subject property or proposed development.

A notice of appeal must be filed with the director of the responsible department no later than 14 days after the decision. An appeal form may be available from the responsible department.

For additional information on the City of Austin's land development process, please visit our website: www.austintexas.gov/abc

Written comments must be submitted to the board or commission (or the contact person listed on the notice) before the public hearing. Your comments should include the board or commission's name, the scheduled date of the public hearing, the Case Number and the contact person listed on the notice.

Case Number: GF 20-171548 - 1402 DRAKE AVE
Contact: Angela Gaudette, (512) 974-3393
Public Hearing: Historic Landmark Commission, Dec. 14, 2020

☒ I am in favor
☐ I object

Wallace Henderson
Your Name (please print)

1309 The Circle, Austin, TX 78704
Your address(es) affected by this application

Wallace Henderson
Signature

12/13/2020
Date

Comments: Structure has reached the end of its useful life.
Opponents assert that every house built before 1950 should
be saved, which is absurd. "old" is not "historic".

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department
Historic Preservation Office, ATTN: Angela Gaudette
P.O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
E-mail: preservation@austintexas.gov

Gaudette, Angela

From: Melanie Martinez [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, December 13, 2020 11:07 AM
To: Jacob, Mathew - BC; Papavasiliou, Alexander - BC; Little, Kelly - BC; McWhorter, Trey - BC; Heimsath, Ben - BC; Myers, Terri - BC; Featherston, Witt; Tollett, Blake - BC; Koch, Kevin - BC; Valenzuela, Sarah - BC; Bertron, Cara; Sadowsky, Steve; bc-Caroline.Wright@austin.texas.gov; Gaudette, Angela; PAZ Preservation
Subject: 1400 & 1402 Drake Ave., HDP-2020-0474 & HDP-2020-0400

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Dear Commissioners,

I'm a long-time resident of Fairview Park, and one of the many neighbors who spent the past 15 years working toward our National Register historic district designation. I also volunteer on the SRCC's Preservation Committee but I'm writing as an individual and not on behalf of that group.

I oppose the demolition of **1400 & 1402 Drake Ave. (HDP-2020-0400 & HDP-2020-0474)** for the same reasons as previously stated. This house is contributing to our historic district, and its location, while not considered "unique," does not diminish the value of a character-defining home on a corner lot. As you know, a historic district considers the whole, and not just landmark-status properties. While we can't forbid these demolitions, it would be helpful to know the plans for these lots. Sadly, demolitions on a corner lot seem to cause a cascade of demolitions down the block, leading to more losses. Demolishing 1402 Drake, as well, only exacerbates this effect.

I hope this commission can encourage the owner of these properties to work with the SRCC's Preservation Committee and the city's Preservation Office to develop a plan that would retain the facades of these homes while still being able to remodel and expand in a sensitive way. I'm sure there must be an alternative to demolition.

Thank you for your consideration,
Melanie Martinez
1214 Newning Ave.

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